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B. DIRECTOR 23095\*\*

1. BY ALL MEANS TAKE ADVANTAGE YOUR 16 SEPT MEETING TO ACCOMPLISH DELIVERY LETTER INVITATION WHICH ALREADY IN HANDS MUNICH BASE.

2. PURPOSE INVITATION IS LARGELY POLITICAL, IN THAT OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GEHLEN HAS NOT ALWAYS PROCEEDED SMOOTHLY, AND WITH HIM NEARING RETIREMENT, THERE APPEARS BE OPPORTUNITY USE MY LONG PERSONAL ASSOCIATION TO BRING PRESENT ERA TO CLOSE IN FAVORABLE ATMOSPHERE. INEVITABLY GEHLEN'S FRAME OF MIND AT TIME OF CHANGEOVER TO NEW REGIME WILL HAVE IMPORTANT BEARING ON HOW NEW RELATIONSHIPS ARE LAUNCHED.

3. SPECIFICALLY DURING VISIT WOULD PLAN DISCUSS NEED FOR INCREASED VIGILANCE AND THEREFOR INCREASED COVERAGE IN EAST GERMAN AREA.

GEHLEN 201

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TO [REDACTED]

4. FYI: INVITATION SUGGESTED BY GENERAL WESSEL WHILE  
LUNCHING WITH ME. WESSEL, AS YOU KNOW, HAS LONG BEEN THE  
HEIR APPARENT TO GEHLEN, ALTHOUGH THIS STATUS MAY NOW BE SOMEWHAT  
OBSCURED BY HIS LONG ABSENCE FROM THE BND AND BY THE EMINENCE  
HE HAS ACHIEVED IN THE WEST GERMAN MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT.  
UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD THE ROLE PLAYED BY WESSEL REGARD-  
ING THE INVITATION BE REVEALED TO ANY GERMAN.

END OF MESSAGE

(IN-74) Requested permission to convey,  letter to Gen. Gehlen  
on 16 September.  
Message from,  to Amb. McGhee concerning a possible visit  
of Gen. Gehlen to Washington.

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